

# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: KAZUHIRO UKIDA ET AL

SERIAL NO.: 10/715,561

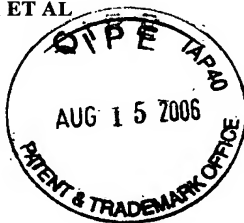
FILED: November 29, 2003

FOR: APPLIANCE UTILIZING WATER

GROUP ART UNIT: 3611

EXAMINER: Joanne SILBERMANN

ATTY. REFERENCE: UKID3001/BEU



COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a communication/amendment in the above-identified application.

☐ Small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is claimed.

☒ No additional fee is required.

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Fee Basis	Number of Claims After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Extra Claims	Small Entity	Full Fee
Total Claims		- <sup>1</sup>	= <sup>3</sup>	× \$ 25 =	× \$ 50 =
Independent Claims		- <sup>2</sup>	= <sup>3</sup>	× \$100 =	× \$ 200 =
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Respectfully submitted,

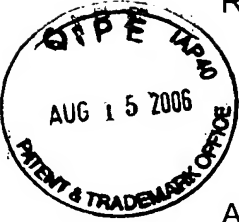
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Amendment dated:  
Reply to OA of: May 16, 2006



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Applicant(s) : Kazuhiro UKIDA et al.  
Appl. No. : 10/715,561  
Filed : November 19, 2003  
Title : APPLIANCE UTILIZING WATER

Confirmation No.: 5056

TC/A.U. : 3611  
Examiner : SILBERMANN, JOANNE

Docket No. : UKID3001/BEU

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of May 16, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.